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# Application No. Applicant(s) 09/755,781 SKINNER, CRAIG S. Interview Summary Examiner **Art Unit** Alan S. Chen 2182 All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Alan S. Chen. (2) Steven C. Becker. Date of Interview: 20 February 2007. Type: a) ✓ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative] Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e)⊠ No. If Yes, brief description: Claim(s) discussed: 1. Identification of prior art discussed: Kuhn. Agreement with respect to the claims f) $\square$ was reached. g) $\boxtimes$ was not reached. h) $\square$ N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE. OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet. 2120107 Nan & Un

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner and Applicant discussed merits of Kuhn, particularly the automated registration and activation of network and network services. Examiner pointed out automation based on claims can be after initial user input, where all subsequent registration/activation will henceforth be automatic, e.g., based on data stored in cookie. Examiner recommended applicant insert claim language relating to hardware ID that is issued during the time of manufacture to help separate application from Kuhn. Applicant's proposed amendment is attached

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#### INFORMAL AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

#### VIA FACSIMILE

Examiner Chen: Please consider the following proposed amendment.

1. (Currently Amended) A communications network automated registration and activation system comprising:

a processor for processing information and instructions including network configuration information utilized by said processor to automatically configure without user interference a device for communicating on a communication network with automated registration and activation on said communication network when booted up by forwarding a network unit device identifier;

a network interface component for communicating information to and from other devices, said network interface component coupled to said processor;

a <del>read only</del> memory for storing <del>static information and instructions including</del> said network configuration information; said <del>read only</del> memory is coupled to said processor; <u>and</u>

a data bus for communicating information between said processor and said <del>read</del> enly memory, said data bus coupled to said processor; and

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a handwriting recognition pad for inputting information other than network configuration information for recognition by said-precessor.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The communications network automated registration and activation system of claim 1 wherein said network configuration information includes a network unit identifier.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The communications network automated registration and activation system of clalm 2 wherein said processor forwards said communication network unit identifier to a communication network when a network communication application is opened.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The communications network automated registration and activation system of claim 2 wherein said network unit identifier is an access number.
  - 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The communications network automated registration and activation system of claim 1 wherein said processor communicates said network configuration information with said network and receives network unit identification information from said network, said processor utilizes said network unit identification information to configure said device for communication on said communication network.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The communications network automated registration and activation system of claim 1 wherein said network interface component comprises:
- a transmitter for generating radio signals for communicating information over a cellular communication network; said transmitter coupled to said communication bus;
- a receiver for accepting radio signals from sald cellular communication network, said receiver coupled to said communication bus; and
- an antenna for transmitting and receiving radio signals to and from said cellular communication network, said antenna coupled to said transmitter and said receiver.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A personal digital assistant automated <del>registration and</del> activation system comprising:

a processor for processing information and instructions including network configuration information utilized by said processor to automatically configure without user interference a device for communicating on a communication network with automated registration and activation on said communication network when booted up by forwarding a network unit device identifier;

a network interface component for communicating information to and from other devices, said network interface component coupled to said processor;

a read only memory for storing static information and instructions including said network configuration information; said read only memory is coupled to said processor;

a data bus for communicating information between said processor and said <del>read</del> enly memory, said data bus coupled to said processor; and

a handwriting recognition pad for inputting information other than network configuration information for recognition by said processor.

- 9. (Currently Amended) The personal digital assistant <u>automated</u> registration and activation system of claim 8 wherein said network configuration information includes a network unit identifier.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The personal digital assistant automated registration and activation system of claim 9 wherein said processor forwards said communication network unit identifier to a communication network when a network communication application is opened.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The personal digital assistant automated registration and activation system of claim 9 wherein said network unit identifier is an access number.

### 12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) The personal digital assistant automated registration and activation system of claim 8 wherein said processor communicates said network configuration information with said network and receives network unit identification information from said network, said processor utilizes said network unit identification information to configure said device for communication on said communication network.

- 14. (Currently Amended) The personal digital assistant automated registration and activation system of claim 8 wherein said network interface component comprises:
- a transmitter for generating radio signals for communicating information over a cellular communication network; said transmitter coupled to said communication bus;
- a receiver for accepting radio signals from said cellular communication network, said receiver coupled to said communication bus; and
- an antenna for transmitting and receiving radio signals to and from said cellular communication network, said antenna coupled to said transmitter and said receiver.
- 15. (Currently Amended) A communication network device configuration method comprising the steps of:

storing communication network configuration information in a memory;
using said communication network configuration information to automatically
configure without user interference a communication device for communicating with a
communication network when booted up by forwarding a network unit device identifier; and
registering and activating said device automatically on a the communication
network.

- 16. (Currently Amended) The communication network device configuration method of Claim 15 wherein said network configuration information includes information for automated registration and activation on a communication network.
- 17. (Original) The communication network device configuration method of Claim 15 wherein said network configuration information includes a network unit device identifier.
- 18. (Original) The communication network device configuration method of Claim 15 wherein said network configuration information is loaded by a manufacturer.
- 19. (Original) The communication network device configuration method of Claim 15 wherein a processor utilizes the communication network configuration information to automatically configure the device for communication on a network.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The communication network device configuration method of Claim 15 wherein said network configuration information includes an access number.

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- 21. (New) The communications network automated activation system of Claim 1, further comprising:
- a handwriting recognition pad for inputting information other than network configuration information for recognition by said processor.
- 22. (New) The personal digital assistant automated activation system of Claim 8, further comprising:
- a handwriting recognition pad for inputting information other than network configuration information for recognition by said processor.
- 23. (New) The communications network automated activation system of Claim 1, wherein the memory comprises read only memory.
- 24. (New) The personal digital assistant automated activation system of Claim 8, wherein the memory comprises read only memory.

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